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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 11, 2003, Applicants resubmit herein the listing of claims from the Amendment filed December 1, 2003. In accordance with the instructions in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, only the section indicated as non-compliant is resubmitted herein.

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